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Serial No.: 08/820,670	) Examiner: Bacares, R.
Taylor, Michael G.	) Group Art Unit: 2733

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Applicant encloses the following documents in response to the Notice of

Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated March 8, 1999:

- 1) Transmittal of Payment of Issue Fee;
- 2) Issue Fee Transmittal Form;
- 3) Submission of Formal Drawings (including 4 sheets of formal drawings); and,
- 4) Notice of Change in Small Entity Status.

### **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1999 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mail Label Number EL322753544US addressed to: Box Issue Fee, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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The Assistant Commission is hereby authorized to charge and credit the amount of \$1,210.00 to Deposit Account No. 05-0308. If there are any other additional fees required in connection with the filing of this response, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

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Dated: March 8, 1999

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## NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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Assignee hereby notifies the United States Patent and Trademark Office that it no

longer claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9(f) and 1.27(c).

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